

most of these "religious operators," while their so-called "schools" are at best but a mere farce. They

cost this city over \$50,000 annually, and detract that much from regularly established and well-known associations. So be on your guard, philanthropists.

New-York, Jan. 21. FRANKLIN.

THE STATEN ISLAND FERRY COMPANY.

To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune.

Sin: The Staten Island Ferry Company's last year issued commemorative tickets as usual at \$30 per annum; \$20 for the first six months and \$10 for the succeeding six months. When they issued the first tickets in May last, the commuters were given to understand that the Company would run two boats during the year. In November last, when the ten-dollar tickets were to be issued, we were again informed that the price of tickets would be twenty dollars instead of ten, as the Company could not now afford to run two boats unless this additional sum were paid there. This, this is the

Additional men were paid them. To this unjust demand, as may be imagined, there was considerable demur upon the part of the two hundred and fifty commuters, who nevertheless concluded to comply with the demands of the Company. To our astonishment, on the 11th of this month, after the money had been collected by the Company, we were informed that on and after that date but one boat would be run during the continuation of the extreme cold weather. This was a most unreasonable demand, and we

These one-coat boats run at such hours that to a person whose business requires his presence in the city six-and-a-half hours a day, the ferry is entirely useless, as it only makes three trips daily. Many persons suppose that this is done in order to drive the commuters to patronize the Clifton and Stapleton Ferry, which is also owned by the Monopoly, and where we are obliged to again pay the usual fare for our passage. It is certainly a hard case.

CRIMES AND CASUALTY.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR IN MISSOURI.—We learn from a gentleman from Washington, in this State, that a horrible tragedy took place in that town on Saturday last. Two or three years ago a man named Harrison, living in that place, married a widow having two children—

a girl of about fourteen, and a boy a year or two older. A few months ago, during the absence of the mother on a visit to her friends in Warren County, the step-father violated the person of the daughter, and by threats and menaces caused her to keep the matter secret. He also by means of false keys unlocked a drawer and carried off a sum of money which the son had laid up from his earnings. The latter, on discov-

During this fact, and him arrested, and during his examination the daughter was put upon the stand as a witness, when she also disclosed the horrible outrage which had been committed on her. Thereupon her brother left the Court-room and procured a pistol, and returning, shot the monster dead where he stood. He was immediately arrested and examined on a charge of murder, and discharged on the ground of justifiable homicide.

— (St. Louis News, 16th.

HORRIBLE BUTCHERY.—We learn from a friend the following particulars of a horrible butchery that occurred in White Haven one day last week: It appears that a number of men—mostly Germans and Irish—who were employed on some public improvement at that place, coming to the conclusion that they were not receiving a sufficient compensation for their services, had taken to the road to strike for higher wages, which

services, refused to strike to demand higher wages they did—only one, an old German, refusing to do so. This refusal of the old man so enraged a number of the Irish that they gathered around and put the question to him whether he intended to work on at the wages he had been receiving or would strike with them. He told them that he would continue for the old wages, whereupon one of them took an ax and cut with all his force three or four times into the old

man's head, killing him almost instantly. Three or four of the fiends have been arrested and lodged in jail. [Easton Express, Jan. 33.]

EXCUSABLE HOMICIDE.—We are pained to learn that a difficulty occurred at Pennsylvania Furnace on Saturday last, in which one of the parties was killed instantly. Mr. George Lyon, who is the manager at that Furnace, discovered that one of the teamsters,

whose name we did not learn, was hauling fewer loads than others of ore, and those not full ones. He remonstrated with the party, in relation to the matter, who leaped from his horse and threw Mr. Lyon his whip, with the modest declaration that he (Mr. L.) might drive himself. An angry discussion arose, and Mr. L., fearing that the teamster would make an attack upon him, lifted the whip from the ground; immediately the teamster came toward him with

Immediately after the remainder came toward Mr. L. and violently intending to commit an assault; Mr. L. raised the whip to defend himself, and when the party came near enough he dealt him a blow with the butt, only intending to knock him down, but unfortunately struck him on the temple, killing him instantly. Mr. L. at once gave himself up to the authorities, and we presume entered bail for his appearance before Court to stand his trial.

BRUTAL ASSAULT.—A man named Emanuel Hamp was arrested and brought before the Mayor on Thursday for an outrageous assault on a small boy named Robert Kurdy, about seven years of age, under the following circumstances: The boy was engaged in

...telling almanacs about the depot at the railroad, when Hamp, in order to tease him, took one of the almanacs and refused to return it, upon which the boy, by direction of some of the bystanders, seized Hamp's hat and started to run away with it, but soon stumbled and fell; when, as testified by the witnesses, Hamp kicked him on the side several times with full force, causing the blood to run from his mouth, and it is thought seriously endangering his life. On first hearing the testi-

HORRIBLE MURDERS.—*The Macon (Ga.) Citizen* informs us that Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, the former sec-

and the latter seventy-two years of age, were on the morning of the 14th inst. found dead in their bed, each with a large wound on the head, inflicted with the sharp edge of an ax. An attempt was also made to burn the house, the bedding on which the victims lay having been fired and the bodies much burned, but the flames were extinguished. A slave twenty-eight years old is supposed to be the murderer, and has

ANOTHER BLOODY BATTLE IN KANSAS—*Exploded.*
—By a telegraph dispatch in another column, it will be seen that the story previously announced by telegraph, of a conflict in Kansas between the Pro-Slavery men and Abolitionists, in which several of the combatants were killed and others wounded, was made

out of whole cloth, except a small portion of the warp. There had been a slight flurry, it is true—but not worth recording. Some wag probably made up the rest, to satisfy the gaping credulity and rampant aspirations of Abolitionists down East. There have been so many of these bloody stories from Kansas, almost all of which have proved to be false or grossly exaggerated, that one would think the market for such trashy literature exhausted. But no, the market is still open, and the demand is still there.

This is certainly very cool. *The Journal of Commerce*, not content to hold the unfortunate Free-State settlers of Kansas responsible for all the outrageous conduct of the Border Ruffians—on the old pretense that they would not act so if they had not been pro-

that they would not saddle the "Abolitionists down East" with all the lies which the Pro-Slavery telegraph operators at St. Louis choose to send in this direction. The excuse now is that the "gaping credulity and rampant aspirations" of these down East Abolitionists provoke the St. Louis telegraph

It is in vain, however, for *The Journal of Commerce* to hope by this pitiful expedient to call off the attention of the public from the atrocities of its friends the Border Ruffians. The outrages which they have charged on the Free-State men have all proved false; but unfortunately the outrages reported of them have

proved but to true. The late inroad into Kansas resulted in at least two cold-blooded murders. And what does *The Journal of Commerce* think of the burning down of the jail at Leavenworth, and of the throwing of Col. Delahay's press into the Missouri?

NEW-ENGLAND RUM.—The exports of rum from

Boston since the 1st of September last have been 450,000 gallons. *The Economist* says that the exportations from New-York have also been large, reaching 400,000 gallons in the last three weeks. The price of New-England rum, when the Eastern war commenced, was thirty cents a gallon; it is now fifty-two cents, with an activity of demand greater than the ability to supply. Molasses, in the same period, has risen from 15 to 25 cents a gallon, and is difficult to be

twenty-two cents to forty-four cents a gallon got. It is said that an eminent house in Boston took a French Government contract for 600,000 gallons, New-England rum at a price governed by the advance in molasses. The contract is being fulfilled.